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JANUARY CIRCULATION. W. B. Carr, Business Manager of The St. Louis Republic, being duly aworn, says that the actual number of full and complete copies of the daily and Sunday Republic printed during the month of January, 1901, all in regular editions, was as per schedule

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J. F. FARIBH,

Notary Public, City of St. Louis, Mo. My term expires April 3. 1901. OBJECT OF THE NOISE. If the Ziegenhein organs can kick up enough dust over the election law

genhein himself will be nominated for the mayoralty. One of the machine reasons for putting off nominations till the last moment was that the gang might decide how far

it could dare to go in nominating straight gang candidates. With an election law and police up roar the machine tries to obscure municipal rottenness and hold decent Re-

publicans under machine control.

People have not such short memorie that Julius Wurzburger's appointment and the registration frauds of 1896 are forgotten. The law of 1895 was a fairly good law, but it failed to prevent extensive padding of the registration lists. The present law is equally good-an improvement in some respects—and it also has probably failed to entirely eliminate dishonest registration. Results under that head are at the worst only a "standoff." There is nothing to justify making a party issue of election laws in the municipal campaign. The rumpus is only a Ziegenhein pretext.

If the gangsters believe that the peo ple are fooled, there will be a rare old ticket of municipal ravagers.

TO AID CRIME.

If State Senator Grady has his way, Pennsylvania newspapers will soon be so effectually gagged that criminals, ringsters and the many other shady characters who infest the political life of that State will do their work with immunity.

Senator Grady, a Quay lleutenant, seems to have suffered much from the adverse criticisms of the press. Whenever Republican newspapers have kept conveniently quiet regarding the smooth work of Quay, the bosses have been worried by the freedom with which the Democratic papers touched upon subjects dear to the man who will represent Pennsylvania in the next United States

By the terms of the bill introduced in both bouses at Harrisburg all details of crime are excluded from the public prints. Preceding the final legal determination of the case, no matter how grievous or startling the facts may be, oothing but the bare court record may

It has been pointed out the bill is in direct violation to the State Constitution, which permits "the free communication of thoughts and opinions." So insanely jealous are the Pennsylvania gangsters of their reputation that plain provisions of the Constitution do not seem to have entered into their calculations.

Gag laws of this sort are senseless Newspapers do not print court testimony in order to offend good taste or morals. They do not often print what the public has not a distinct right to know. Publicity is the greatest preventive of crime.

BACKED BY THE PEOPLE.

It is now entirely reasonable to expec that the World's Fair bill will be passed by the United States Senate before the close of this week, that it will promptly receive the President's signature, and that with next week the World's Fair movement will enter triumphantly upon its second phase that of permanent organization and the beginning of actual

One of the most potent factors ac counting for the overwhelmingly favor-able vote in the House was public sentiment. The people of the United States. and especially those of the vast territory included in the Louisiana Purchase rilly approve the World's Fair proj-This fact of approval has been owned or represented by them." It is the very plain to their Representatives further provided that additional mem-

felt to a similar extent in the Senate.

There is something especially gratifying in this attitude of the American public toward the World's Fair of 1903. More than anything else, it means the success of the undertaking. It was first demonstrated in the enthusiasm with which the movement was begun in the various States interested; the promptness with which the respective Legislatures acted; the manimity of the choice of St. Louis as the World's Fair City. It will as certainly be felt in appropriations for State exhibits and la the popular insistence upon the surpassing excellence of these displays.

The public-spirited men whose efforts have made the World's Fair certain bave every cause for satisfaction. The full success of the enterprise is now assured. From this date forward World's Fair developments will be noted with the keenest national interest. The American people will boom the World's Fair. It is distinctly their celebrationand they insist that it shall break all tion. Unless there is 'property' to be records in its line.

ST. LOUIS BOARDS.

Governor Dockery has put an end to his perplexity over St. Louis appointments. In justice to him it must be said that against all sorts of personal and political pressure he has carried out his purpose of choosing only men qualified to honestly and efficiently administer the police and election laws.

Of the Police Board appointees Messrs, Ballard and Woerner were in dorsed by the business element and fully represent the spirit of strict busines execution of municipal functions.

Criticism will be leveled more fiercely against Messrs. Hawes and Blong, who have been closely connected with party management.

When Mr. Hawes was appointed by Governor Stephens The Republic commended the choice on the ground that young men of ambition and ability should always have party recognition. Since that time Mr. Hawes has been subjected to the flercest partisan attacks that have fallen upon any St. Louis Democrat in the later period of politics. Yet not a single bad action has been brought home to him. It is true that the police force has not been well or ganized during his administration. But it is notorious that his hands were tied; that he was not permitted to control the force or its principal officers; that under influences outside of the board appointments were made through the ranks of patrolmen and that half the force considered itself independent of the Commissioners. An older man might have felt constrained to resign under such circumstances. A young man's reluctance to confess defeat in his first public trust may be readily excused.

Mr. Blong will be assailed because h s too much of a politician. Yet he has been indorsed by some of the best citiens of St. Louis as incorruptibly honest, faithful to promise and loyal to party and friends. The implicit confidence re osed in him by the late C. C. Maffitt was well known, and Mr. Maffitt did not give his confidence to unworthy men.

In favor of Governor Dockery's decision to appoint Messrs. Hawes and Blong the strictest independent in pollties will admit that, with Mr. Hawes's experience on the board and Mr. Blong's quaintance with men and affairs in all the wards, these two gentlemen are qualified to institute a thorough reform of the police force on a basis of high

Governor Dockery's distinct announce ment that he will neither himself interfere nor permit any outsiders to interfere with a reconstruction of the St. Louis police force gives Mr. Hawes and the new Commissioners a free hand. Let us see how they will use the opportunity.

In a series of important offices, including the Speakership at Jefferson City, the Attorney Generalship and a Circuit Court judgeship, Judge Wood has acquitted himself admirably. In State and city he possesses popular confidence. Mr. McCaffrey has made a faithful officer and Mr. Hobbs certainly has the Republican party's full indorsement in the history of party nominations. The Election Board appointments must be accepted as good. The test of both the coards will come very soon. They must abstain from partisan conduct of the two offices and must be free from bias in the official relations they sustain to the approaching elections.

AN ACT OF CONFISCATION.

The Missouri State Senate distinguished itself yesterday by passing an act of confiscation. That is the proper title of the bill requiring newsgathering associations to furnish news to all papers in the same city on the same terms. This bill proposes to seize the most

valuable possession of a newspaper. News is the one thing that can give it life, and exclusiveness is the essential element of value in news. Taking the exclusiveness from news is as completev confiscation as taking possession of tangible property. The wrong committed s of exactly the same kind.

All of this is clearly understood by the nineteen Senators whose votes put through the bill that passed the Missourl Senate yesterday. And they understand that the wrong they are endeavoring to perpetrate is not in furtherance of any public demand or in vindication of any principle of law. The inspiration for this legislation has not peen found in regard for the public

While general in its terms, the bill is manifestly aimed directly and particularly at the Associated Press, a co-oper ative organization of newspapers which is not only not engaged in the business of selling news, but is expressly pro hibited from doing so by its organic law. The Associated Press is not a business corporation in any sense whatever. It has no capital stock and its charter declares specifically that it "is not to make a profit nor to make or declare dividends and is not to engage in the pusiness of selling intelligence nor traffic in the same." By the same charter its character is defined in clear and unmistakable words. The charter says. and the by-laws repeat the declaration. that the Associated Press is "an association of certain persons who, owning or representing certain newspapers, unite in a mutual and co-operative organization for the collection and inter change, with greater economy and efficiency, of information and intelligence

bers may be elected, subject to the conditions, regulations and limitations of AMERICA FROWNS the by-laws, and that no persons not so elected shall enjoy any of the privileges of the association.

Such a law as the Missouri Senate proposes will have no bearing upon the Associated Press. The great State of Missouri has no power to compel a club chartered by the State of New York to admit to its roll of members every resident of Missouri who may make application. This club is not engaged in a business affected with a public interest. If It were, that might afford some warrant for the proposed law, but the Supreme Court of Missouri, by the unanimous decision of the court en banc, handed down just two months ago, has emphatically denied that the public interest attaches to the work of newsgathering. These were the words of the court:

"But there is nothing here on which a monopoly can attach. The business is one of mere personal service; an occupa-'affected with a public interest' there is no basis laid for the fact or the charge of a monopoly."

No one need suspect that the majority of the Missouri Senate alms to overrule the Supreme Court on a question of law. There is no such intent. This bill was not passed with any thought that it would become a law and consequently with no belief that the Supreme Court would stultify itself by assenting to its the record of the Missouri Senate in 1901 as the most shameful in the history of the State. To that extent and no farther will the passage of this bill prove ef-

ACTION THAT WINS.

St. Louis traveling men are bustlers. Nothing has brought this fact out with greater prominence than the work they have done in connection with the World's Fair.

When subscriptions were first called for, the commercial travelers of St. Louis as one trade interest agreed to raise \$100,000. The rapidity with which they secured subscriptions was only equaled by one other interest-the real estate men. Before the traveling men stopped, they had secured bona fide sub scriptions amounting to \$107,000.

Now that the World's Fair is assured they have set a new pace by perfecting plans for erecting a building. At the last meeting of the Boards of Directors of the National Association and Missour Division, Travelers' Protective Association, resolutions were adopted looking toward the raising of \$150,000 with which to build a structure which shall erve as a meeting place for members.

It is expected that the building will be permanent affair and fulfill all the multifold wants of the association, both during the Fair and afterwards. Committees are already at work securing the

Action of this sort is gratifying as showing the spirit which animates the body of men which, more than any other agency, comes into touch with the commercial interests of the country. Other trade interests will do well to emulate the example of the traveling men

Retrenchment seems to be the order of the day with the Chinese Government. Boxers condemned by the envoys sted to commit suicide and save money and trouble. Strange to say, some of the Chinese want to compromise on banishment.

All the people of the Union are heartily in favor of the World's Fair of 1903. They see the advantage of this country's holding the first international exposition of the marvelous Twentieth Century.

Local Democracy has obeyed the popular demand for early and clean nominations, Local Republicanism is preparing for a machine coup, hostile to the people, at the last moment.

Governor Shaw of Iowa, in refusing to consider a nomination for a third term, has placed gubernatorial bees in the hats of a score or more men who think themselves "just as good."

Local Republicanism is ashamed or afraid to name its machine candidates early in the fight. Voters should be ashamed or afraid to vote, for such can-

With a capitalization of \$1,100,000,000 the Steel Trust organized by Pierpont Morgan can make a handsome subscription to the Republican slush fund in 1904.

Nominations for the "popular" prima ries must be made public on Saturday. It is a safe bet that not more than r dozen names will be filed for each of

Maybe the real President of the United States would be absent from the pageant if Mark Hanna did. 't ride with Mr. McKinley in the inaugural parade.

Senator Towne's one speech was less expensive than Nebraska's next Senator will be. Breaking deadlocks, however, is a cost which falls on the State.

By the passage of an adequate franchise-tax bill the Forty-first General Assembly of Missouri can win for itself a notable place in State history.

In May, 1898, Chauncey Depew was dead set against the idea of our holding the Philippines. Is the Peach still a traitor and copperhead?

St. Louis's good government move ment has encountered a tricky and implacable enemy in the Ziegenhein machine organization. Mr. Wells promises to represent all of

the people all the time. This is the way Mayor Ziegenhein has represented the Ziegenbein gang. As a candidate for World's Fair Mayor of St. Louis the Democratic nominee Mr. Wells, daily gains strength in a

mighty winful way. Uncle Sam's grave and reverend Senators should not miss the opportunity to pass the World's Fair bill in Washingon's Birthday week.

Here's the brand that will be on every nominee of the Republican primaries-"Made by the Machine."

UPON WALDERSEE.

President and Cabinet Send Sharp Mrs. Shelton and Mrs. Skin-Remonstrance Against Military Expedition.

IT IS TO LEAVE PEKIN SOON.

Fifteen Thousand Men in Six Columns Are to March Into Interior of the Celestial Empire.

REFUBLIC SPECIAL. Washington, Feb. 19.-President McKinley has taken a determined stand against fur ther aggressive action by the Powers in

day, Acting Secretary Hill sent a cablegram to Minister Conger clearly defining the atshows conclusively that the United States will not only refuse to participate in the expedition contemplated by Count von Wal dersee, but look upon it with absolute disconstitutionality. It will stand as one favor. The note communicated to Mr. Conexample among many that will mark ger has all the elements of a vigorous re monstrance. The administration expects that similar statements will be made by other Powers respecting their attitude upon the German proposition

Two hours and a half were consumed by the Cabinet in considering Count von Wal-dersee's proposal, as communicated to Sec-retary Root yesterday by Major General Chaffes, and a dispatch received this morn-ing from Minister Conger, in which he stated that he had protested to the Minlaters against the proposed expedition but without effect. It was finally decided to have Acting Secretary Hill Instruct Mr. Conger in this sense:

"That the United States Government has

no troops in China, except those which comprise the legation guard. The United States are not at war with China, Having rescued American citizens besieged in Peki and taken possession of the city, there ap-pears to this Government no reason what-ever for aggressive action. A general pro-tocol, setting forth the demands of the foreign Governments, was agreed upon in De cember, and China has been carrying ou the terms as energetically as she can, does not appear, therefore, that there ground for any further military action

Major General Chaffee was informed by cable of the character of the instructions sent to Mr. Conger and directed under no consideration to participate in the Von Wai-

lersee expedition.

There is no doubt that there was a strong dersee expedition.

There is no doubt that there was a strong sentiment before the meeting of the Cabinet in favor of making a direct remonstrance to Germany, but reflection showed the inadvisability of this course, or of forming a combination of Powers against Germany. Either course would only have caused a feeling of bitterness in Berlin. It was deemed advisable to have Mr. Conger explain the attitude of the United States to his colleagues, and they will communicate his statement to their Governments. The authorities say they have no definite information as to the attitude of other Governments, but Russia is known to be with the United States in the position the President has assumed. It is said that, as a result of the hostility of this and other Governments, Germany will be induced to withdraw Count von Weldersee's proposal.

REPRESENTATIONS AT BERLIN.

REPRESENTATIONS AT BERLIN. Berlin, Feb. 19.—It is understood that United States Ambassador White made rep-resentations to-day to the Foreign Office regarding the reputed expedition of Count von Walderses into the interior of China and that the Foreign Office gave him reas-suring replies.

It is understood that the Foreign Office told Mr. White that such expeditions were designed chiefly to convince the Chinese Government that the Powers would not be trifled with.

TIME LIMIT SET. Pekin, Feb. 19.—The eight days given the Chinese authorities for the publication of satisfactory edicts cannot, the foreign Ministers say, be considered as an ultimatum, as the notice only refers particularly to the cessation of examinations and also to the liability of the Governors of the Provinces where outrages may be commit-

In the meantime, the military continue preparations for the expedition, the inten-tion being to send out 15,000 men in six columns of troops, two columns leaving Pekin, Tien-Tsin and Pao-Ting-Fu, respect wely. British, Germans, French and Ital

lans are going.

Field Marshal Count von Waldersee believes that eight days' rations will be ample for the columns to take with them, as the lines of communication will be open and fresh supplies will be obtainable.

It is reported on some authority that if the present negativities process the contract of the present negativities. the present negotiations prove unsuccessful the warships of some of the Powers will seize Che-Foo, Canton and other places as oon as the winter is over.

All the troops are being put through a severe course of drill, especially the Germans, from daylight until dark.

CHINA REPORTED VIELDING Paris, Feb. 19.—A Havas Agency dispatch from Pekin says Li Hung Chang and Prince Ching have informed the legations that the court agrees to inflict the punishments de-

FORT IN HEART OF PEKIN. London, Feb. 18.—In the House of Commons to-day John Dillon, Nationalist, asked a question regarding the alleged decision to erect an extensive fortress in the heart of Pekin, for the protection of the legations. The Undersecretary of Foreign Affairs, Lord Cranborne, replied that the question of protective measures was still under discussion. The Government had not yet reached any decision, but was fully conscious of the expediency of keeping any arrangement within reasonable bounds.

Three Weddings at Illinois Capital. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Springfield, Ill., Feb. 18.—Captain Charles
T. Hendenburg. Springfield, Ill. Feb. 19.—Captain Charles T. Headenburg, commanding Company C. Fitth Infantry, I. N. G., and Miss Christine Higgins, both of Springfield, were married at 8 o'clock this evening at the bride's home, the Reverend Father Kehoe, pastor of St. Joseph's Church, officiating. The wedding was simple, only the immediate relatives attending. After the ceremony Captain and Mrs. Headenburg left for the North on a wedding trip.

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Miss Christina Relsch was married at 9 o'clock this morning to Charles M. Meyer of Denver, Colo., in SS. Peter and Paul's Church, in this city. The couple were attended by Miss Susie Reisch, sister of the bride, and Mr. Will Meyer of New York City, brother of the groom. A wedding breakfast at the home of the bride's motter, Mrs. Frank Reisch, followed the ceremony. The wedding tour of Mr. and Mrs. Meyer will embrace several States, Miss Reisch is heiress to half a million.

James B. Wright of Franklin and Miss Katherine Knepler were married to-day at New Berlin, the home of the bride.

G. A. R. Visiting Committee at Quincy.
REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Quincy, Ill., Feb. 19.—The Special Visiting
Committee appointed by the Grand Army
of the Republic arrived here this morning.
This afternoon the committee organized,
with J. W. Bust of Sycamore, Ill., as
chairman. The committee this afternoon
began a systematic inspection of the institution. The committee represented here
include the following members: R. J.
Law, Galesburg; F. Hocking, Jacksonville;
H. D. Hoover, Lincoln; Hugh Gould Chicago: Walter Newberry, Chicago: R. E.
Irvine, Galesburg; Thomas G. Lawier, P.
D. C., Rockford; John B. Inman, Springfield; C. A. Cartridge, Waukegan; J. W.
Burst, Sycamore; L. Krughoff, Nashville;
Edwin P. Mann, Chicago: Martin Selbert,
Dwight; J. N. Longenecker and J. A.
Hoover, Pontlac. G. A. R. Visiting Committee at Quiney.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Helena, Ark., Feb. 14.—A society wedding was celebrated in this city to-day, the contracting parties being Mr. Herbert Blackwood of Clarendon and Miss Vera Ford if this city. The Methodist Church had been beautifully decorated for the occasion.

MANY EVENTS ENGAGE THE ATTENTION OF SOCIETY

ner Receive, Assisted by Mrs. Duke and Miss Jones.

THE HOKE RECEPTIONS.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Watson Entertain-Two Musicals -Ames-Marmaduke.

Mrs. Theodore Shelton and Mrs. Elizabeth Gentry Skinner gave a large reception yesterday afternoon from 4 to 6, at the Shelton residence, No. 467 Lindell boulevard, assisted by their guests, Mrs. H. B. Duke of Kansas City and Miss Marian Elvira Jones of Sedalla. Mrs. Shelton wore black peau de soie, ruffled in black and white chiffon, with a short cont of white satin, embroidered in gold and colors and trimmed in pink chiffon. Mrs. Skinner was in a cream Brussels lace gown over white in a cream Brussels lace gown over white chiffon, with unlined guimpe and sleeve trimmed in choux of pale-blue panne. Mrs. Duke wore a handsome reception gown of pastelle-blue broadcloth, the skirt cut cir-cular and stitched and the bodice appliqued in twine-colored silk embroiders, the soft vest of white chiffon veiled in lace, and the undersieeves also of chiffon, terminat-ing in cuffs of black veivet. Mies Jones was in a white tucked muli frock, with

The house was lavishly decorated with palms, American beauties in the drawing-room and the hall, and pink roses in the room and the hall, and pink roses in the dining-room. Two young giris—Miss Anne Gentry Skinner and Miss Marie Wardserved the punch at a table covered with pink satin and honiton lace. A stringed orchestra played during the hours, which were from 4 to 6; and Miss Jones, who is a contraito singer of merit, having spent six years in Paris and London studying voice culture, contributed several ways to the culture, contributed several songs to the afternoon's pleasure. She sang "Je Sais des Secrets Mervelleux," from the opera of "Sigurd," by Reyer; "Hindoo Song," by Bemberg; and a group by Maud Valerie White—"When the Swallows Homeward Fly," "A Memory" and "Jet I." The guests numbered 400, including almost every woman of social prominence in the West End.

THE HOKE RECEPTIONS.

Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth Hoke and Miss Hoke entertained yesterday afternoon with two large receptions, inviting their friends to their new home, No. 3316 Castleman avenue. The afternoon hours, when matrons and girls were asked, were from 4 to 6, and the evening hours, with both men and women invited, from 8 until 11.

en invited, from 8 until 11.

Many spring flowers were used to trim the house, the parlor being done in pink roses and azaleas, and the dining-room in quantities of white and faint yellow tulips, hyacinths and maiden-hair fern. The serving table was in pale green and white, with a centerpiece of white tulips and ferns. In the afternoon Miss Susan Larkin Thomson, Miss Bessie Woolley, Mrs. Walter Ver Steeg and Mrs. John A. James James dispensed refreshments, while in the evening persed refreshments, while in the evening their duties were assumed by Miss Bersie Green, Miss Frances Allison and Mrs. Hut-

Green, Miss Frances Allison and Mrs. Hutton, Miss Woolley serving both times. At the punch bowl, which was surrounded with a mass of pink axealeas, were Mrs. Charles H. Hoke and Miss Kate Waddock.

Mrs. Hoke wore black silk grenadine, wi'h white satin and gold applique. Miss Hoke was in a pale gray creps toilet, trimmed in an applique of seed pearls and turquoises, with white and gray chiffon. Charles H. Hoke and Will Hoke assisted at the evening function.

ing function.
Cards to the number of 700 were sent out. Messieurs and Mes Will Chauvenet, Harold Tittmann, Harry Goodfellow, Julius Pitzman, Doetor and Mrs. R. C. Atkinson,

Messieurs and Mess Frank Obear. Hudson E. Bridge, Doctor and Mrs. W. E. Fischel. Judge and Mrs. Amos W. Thayer, G. L. Werth, Lawrence Broce, George C. Vieh. James M. Carpenter, Misses-

Missey-Sylvia Allen, Mary Day, Mary Day,

Eunicia Appler, Annie Martin, Nan Thomson, Richards, Bianche Robinson MR. AND MRS. WATSON EXTERTAIN.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hewitt Watson No. 4109 Maryland avenue, were host and hostess to their friends last evening, inviting about 200 to spend the evening with them. Mrs. Watson departed from the conventional methods of entertaining with cards or dancing, providing instead two fortune tellers—Egyptian and Gypsy—who old the future for such as cared to listen. These soothsayers were Miss Worthington and Miss Newell, garbed according to their

and Miss Newell, garbed according to their respective offices.

The entire house was utilized for the entertainment; some particular part of it engaged each room. In the hall, which was decorated in red, Mrs. Emmett Myers and Mrs. John Slaughter served the punch. The dining-room arrangements were in charge of Miss Cora Brokaw, Miss Alice Pollard, Miss Bertha Saunders and Mrs. James Bartlett, all the ladles wearing powdered wigs and old-fashioned costumes. Tea was served in a dainty upper apartment by Miss Emily Baker of Alton, Miss Evelyn Whitman, Miss Henrietta Brolaski, Miss Ella Clark and Miss Mary Castleman Webb, Mr. and Mrs. Watson were assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Watson were assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Watson were assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Walter B. Ver Steeg, Mrs. Watson and Mrs. Ver Steeg being sisters. The hostess wore white satin striped liberty gauze with American beauty chiffon and velvet, while Mrs. Ver Steeg was in Among the guests were: Merers and Mesdames-

John Messmore, Hiram Boardman Morse, Albert Engel, Joseph Wattnen, Vaugan Brokaw, Seneca Taylor, — Eastlake, W. B. Homer. Sam Capen.
John Ockerson.
John Slaughter
Emmett Meyers.
Newell.
F. F. Fingatrick.
I. F. McCourtney. Lucy Calhoun. Caroline Taylor Greenwood, Ashcroft, Johnson, Mabel Avis, Latey. Hammer, Messieurs— George Watson, John T. Lord, Tom McKenzie, Rollo Hess.

THE MEDART MUSICAL.

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The musical given by Mr. and Mrs. Philip Medart of No. 1729 Missouri avenue last night was one of the most important social affairs of the pre-Lenten season, and of more than usual interest to musicians generally. The Castle Souare Opera Company was Maud Lillian Berri and Joseph F. Sheehan-and several of the most gifted of the local musicians contributed to the success of the affair. The arrangements for the musical, including the selection of the numbers rendered, were made by Joseph A. Buse.

The decorations of the palatial Medart residence were of Southern smilax and pink roses exclusively. The main stairway was banked with masses of roses, and sprigs of rose bushes were hung from the chandellers and other points of vantage. It was to the ballroom, however, where the musical was given, that particular attention was devoted to planning effective embellishment. The architecture of the ballroom afforded unusual opportunities for artistic decorative effects.

The pink and green color scheme of the decorations harmonised with the finishing of the ball of the hall, under which the singers stood on a raised dais was completely curtained by hundreds of roses and canopies of smilar, and from that end of the room. Mr. and Mrs. Medart, assisted by



MISS MARIAN E. JONES. Sedalia, guest of honor at Mrs.

Mr. Buse, received their guests in a small entercom adjoining the music-room. Mrs. Medart wore an imported gown of heavy Persian silk, trimmed with point lace, the skirt en traine and the corsage low and square in front, with a high Medici collar at the back. The programme was as follows:

The same of the sa
lows:
PART I
Piano-Ballade, A flat
Mr. Alfred G. Robyn,
Barytone-Vision FugitiveMassene
Mr. Homer Moore.
Contralto-(a) Du Blst Mein All Bradsky
(b) OblationLiebe
Mrs. Orear A. Bollman,
Violin-Romance
Miss Luig Kunkel.
Tenor-Celeste AidaVerd
Mr. Joseph Sheehan.
Barytone-l'o T'ameroStanzier
Mr. James J. Rohan.
Quartet-RigolettoVerd
Miss Man Pot the Astronomy Self
Miss Mae Estelle Acton, Mrs. Bollman, Mr.
Sheehan, Mr. Moore,
PART IL
Piano-
(a) Eight Nocturne
(b) Ruin of Athena Beethoven-Rubinsteir
Duet-Quis Est HomoRossin
Miss Acton, Mrs. Beliman,
Violin-
(a) Adagio Pathetique

Mr. Sheehan, ne and Aria, Faust

James Rohan, Mr. John Rohan, Mr. Buse.
The musical was followed by a dance.
The guests were:
Messieurs and Mesdames—
L. Boogher, Woods,
William Burg,
Frederick Bittman,
John Boehmer,
P. W. Bittman,
John Boehmer,
Philip Burg,
William Lemp, Jr.;
Leiand Boogher,
Glein Hill,
Henry Koehler,
Palmer Coomb,
William Porteous,
Charles Miler,
John M. Miller,
John Enders,
Victor Ehling,
Gustav Cramer,
John Enders,
Victor Ehling,
M. M. Eaton,
Krutzsch,
Lawrence Koenig,
August,
William Dittman,
William Dittman,
J. John Rohan,
Charles B. Fisher,
Frank P. Hunkins,
Louis Hammerstein,
Louis Hammerstein,
Joseph Spiegelhalter,
John Schroers,
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Henry Buse, Luyties, Arthur E. Luedinghaus, Louis Lohmeyer, Zerwick, H. M. Whelpley, George A. Wippern, B. A. Welssenborn,

Ernest Helfenstellar, George W. Pisher, Wallace Halker, Wallace Halker.
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Joseph A. Buse,
Harry L. Baur.
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Jennie Gibson, Marie Gempp. Mollie Gianini, Ira W. Perry. William Oberhau ser,
— Norton,
Marie Maus,
Lillian Macklin,
Annie Mason,
Marie Bollman,
Emma Buchman,
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Clara Assman,
Mollie Alexander,
Marietta Dwyer,
Rertha Diehm,
Tillie Gleks.
Helen Gempp,
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Lillie Lahmeyer,
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Silta Hofman,
Jennie Buse,
Bagby.

Tillie Hasse, Stella Schnaider, Lizzie Schnaider, Estelle Schultz, Cariotta Klemm.

Mrs. Whitsleld Russell, No. 4530 Forest Park boulevard, was among the many hos-teases of yesterday, receiving from 4 to 6, assisted by her sister, Mrs. Jennie T. Alexassisted by her sister, Mrs. Jennie T. Alexander, Mrs. Charles P. Ladd, Mrs. F. H. Dodge and Mrs. F. N. Ladd. Mrs. Russell wore a Parls gown of black satin, brocaded in red and gold, with decollete bodice trimmed in red poppies. Mrs. Alexander's gown was black Brussels net and turquoise panne; Mrs. Charles Ladd's, black and light blue chiffon, appliqued in gold; Mrs. Dodge's, a black and white costume, with applique. Miss Ladd, who also assisted, wore pink brocade, and Mrs. F. N. Ladd black chantilly lace over green.

The house was arranged with many flowers. American beauties in the parlor with Southern smilax; red roses in the music-room, and white roses with ferns in the dining-room. Miss Susie Alexander, Miss Addie Dodge and Miss Neilie Young, three young girls who are not yet out, were Miss Addle Dodge and Miss Neille Young, three young girls who are not yet out, were at the punch table. Ices and salads were served in the dining-room.

The callers numbered about two hundred.

AMES, MARWADUKE WEDDING Miss Jennie Marmaduke and Henry Ames

Miss Jennie Marmaduke and Henry Ames greatly surprised even their most intimate friends by their marriage yesterday noon. The engagement of the two was announced a fortnight ago, and it was generally understood that the wedding would be at Easter, but the bride and bridgeroom determined, as they expected to have a quiet wedding in any event, to keep all plans to themselves, so, as previously determined, the wedding took place yesterday at high noon at the home of the bride's uncle and aunt. Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Marmaduke, No. 4164 West Morgan street. Only the members of both families—which is virtually one family—were prepent. The Reverend Dector Niccolls performed the ceremony, the bride being given away by her brother, Crawfood Marmaduke. There were neither bridesmalds nor groomsman.

lace, and carried a large cluster of white roses, fringed with lilles of the valley. A luncheon followed the service, after which Mr. and Mrs. Ames departed for Denver, where they will spend a short time with the bride's father, Darwin Marmaduke, who was unable to reach St. Louis for the wedding. From Denver they will go to San Francisco, thence to the Sandwich Islands and Japan, their trip to extend over a period of several months. As their return is uncertain, they have announced no athome days, nor where they will live.

Miss Marmaduke is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Darwin Marmaduke, who formerly and Mrs. Darwin Marmaduke, who formerly lived in St. Louis. The bride and her mother have been here all winter. Mr. Ames's mother married Colonel Marma-duke, the bride's uncle, both of them being

FLOWER FUND MUSICAL.

Some of the ladies who are interested in

present vesterday.

Increasing the flower fund of the Pilgrim Congregational Church arranged a musical reception last evening, which was given at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Birge, No. 250 Euclid avenue. Those who had charge of the affair were Mrs. William Youkers and Miss Katherine Jones, their efforts being rewarded with success, All arrangements were made as for a formal evening reception. Mrs. Cornelius Pation. Mrs. Hobart Brinsmade, Mrs. Mi-chael Burnham. Mrs. Truman Riddle, Mrs. Chamberlain and Mrs. D. D. Fisher formed the receiving party, the parior being deco-rated in palms and roses. Mrs. Ernest Birge, Miss Annie Langenberg, Miss Louise Chamberlain and Miss Jones were without their hats. In the dining-room, where pink decorations ruled, Miss Eilzabeth Huds Miss Blanche Morgan, Miss Edith Morrill and Miss Alice Chamberlain did the serving The programme consisted of vocal music by Mr. and Mrs. George Carrie, Miss Eu-genia Gettner and Mrs. William McCandless. Miss Gettner wore pink slik and white organdle; Mrs. Carrie white lace, and Mrs. McCandless gray crepe de Chine. The num-ber of guests was large, including both gen-tlemen and ladies.

LUNCHEON FOR MISS BUTLER.

Mrs. Selby Barnes entertained with a luncheon on Monday afternoon at the Planters for her sister, Mrs. Edward Gay Butler of Virginia, who came South last week to attend the wedding of Miss Suzanne Butler and Mr. George Whiting of Baltimore. The luncheon table was trimmed with a great profusion of bridesmald roses and lighted with nink candles. Luncheon and lighted with nink candles. and lighted with pink candles. Luncheon wase served in one of the private dining-rooms, the guests including: Mesdames—

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PERSONAL MENTION. Mr. and Mrs. Rolla Wells departed yes-erday for a short visit in Washington, D. terday for a short C., and New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Shelton are re-ceiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter, who has been named Emma Caroline Shelton. Mrs. Shelton was Miss Alloise Douglass.

Mrs. Firmin Desloge of Hotel Beers gave a luncheon yesterday afternoon for her sister, Mrs. Zeno B. Clardy of El Paso, Tex., who, with Mr. Clardy, has been visiting in St. Louis for a short tima. The table was arranged with many volets and maiden-hair fern, sprays of fern being scattered on the cloth. The guests numbered fourteen, all of them relatives of the hostess and her sister. They included Mmes. Jules Valle, Seth Cobb and Julius Desloge.

Mr. and Mrs. Zeno Clardy, who have been guests of Mrs. Firmin Desiodge for a fortnight, returned to their Texas home last evening. Their daughter, Miss Josephins Clardy, will spend the remainder of the winter and early spring in St. Louis studying vocal music. She will be at No. 4476 McPherson avenue.

Mrs. Mary Condit Bartle announces the marriage of her daugther. Fannie Greaves Bartle, to Mr. William Crawford Steer, on Monday, February 18. At home the Fri-days in April, No. 4363 West Pine bouls-

MAY GO TO THE CORONATION. Whitelaw Reid May Represent the United States. REPUBLIC SPECIAL

New York, Feb. 18.-It was announced among the Republican leaders to-day that Whitelaw Reid is to be named as Envoy Extraordinary of the United States for the Extraordinary of the United States for the coronation of King Edward VII, which will probably take place in June, sithough the exact date has not yet been settled.

Mr. Reid acted as the special envoy of this country at the Queen's jubilee. He was a candidate for the post of Ambassador to Oveat Britain after President McKiniey's election four years ago, but his appointment was prevented at that time by Senator Platt, who took a firm stand against the appointment of Mr. Reid to a Cabinet position.

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There have been rumors that Joseph H. Choate, who is now United States Ambassador to Great Britsin, might return to this country to take a Cabinet position, in which case Mr. Reid might replace him in London. It has also been said that if Mr. Choate should remain abroad, Mr. Reid might go into the Cabinet. Senator Piatt is opposed to both these suggestions, and is, consequently, less inclined to protest against the appointment of Mr. Reid to the temporary homor of Envoy.

FORTUNE FOR A STABLE. William H. Moore Plans One to

Cost Him \$275,000. REPUBLIC SPECIAL. New York, Feb. 19.-William H. Moore, trust organizer and financier, late of Chi-cago, but who now resides at No. 4 West Fifty-fourth street, aims to have the first

Fifty-fourth street, aims to have the first stable in New York City. He has given carte blanche to his architects, Hill and Riout, and plans have been filed with the Building Department for a structure which with the ground it will occupy, is estimated to cost \$25,000.

Three city lots, Nos. 202, 204 and 206 West Fifty-eighth street, have been purchased, on which a building 75 feet by 85 feet will be erected. The new stable will be in the stories in height and will be of fireproof construction throughout. Pink granite and pressed brick will be used for the front, the chief characteristic of which will be its simplicity.

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Massive granite columns will form the main entrance, and the floors will be supported from the side walls by steel girders, eaving the carriage floor free from pillars. Yellow pine will be used in the interior finish.

Some novel devices will be used for ventilating the stable and removing odors. Sweepings from the stalls will drop through a chute and fall into a steel cart, inclosed in an airtight room. Once a day the room will be opened, a horse attached to the cart and the refuse hauled away.

Stalls will be provided for twenty-six horses. Living quarters for the stablemen, coachmen and groom will be on the top floor.

Miss Barducci as Santussa.

In the version of "Pinafore" now on view at Music Hall the scenery is part of the plot. There is so much action allotted to it in the way of fixed and loose things on ship-hoard that the eye is ever busy watching the kaleidoscopic changes. The land breeze strikes the British standard, and merrily it floats on the air; night falls, the moon appears, the shore signals glimmer, lanterns are swung into position, lighthouses send forth their gleams, the hatchways loom up, the steersman's cabin is dim with the rays of shaded light and the captain's quarters show new signs of life.

All the while the action of the story changes to varying moods. In fact, there are few moments when the eye and the ear do not feed the imagination in the Castle Square edition of "Pinafore."

Blanca Barducci, the new Santuzza, came on last night. Her voice has none of the mellow quality of Norwood's, but is strong, intense, inclaive and particularly well suited to the stressful measures that Mascagni has written for the part. Miss Barducci acted with intelligence and intensity. She was probably at her best in the scene of her first meeting with Turiddu. Mr. Herry Davies, who appeared for the first time this season, was the wicked young here. Mr. E. A. Clark was Alfo.